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Application of: Robert Van Der Geize et al. Conf. No.: 4486

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## AMENDMENT

SIR:

This is a response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2009 in the abovereferenced application. The Office Action set a three month period for responding to the Office
Action, making a response due on or by July 6, 2009. A Notice of Appeal was filed August 6,
2009, making a response due October 6, 2009. A Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend
the time of response by one month, up to and including November 6, 2009 is requested.
Accordingly, this response is timely filed. The USPTO is authorized to deduct the required fee
for a one-month extension to Deposit Account No. 50-4205, Reference Number: 2002.744US.

This response is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination.

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